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## VIA UPS OVERNIGHT MAIL

August 28, 2006

Re:

The Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001

BNR-R-06-01

Dear Secretary Williams:

On June 15, 2006, BNSF filed a Notice of Exemption seeking authority to abandon or discontinue service of approximately 2.12 miles of railroad line between railroad milepost 12.33 and railroad milepost 14.45, in Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai County, Idaho. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 83814 and 83816.

Company (BNSF) Abandonment in Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai County, Idaho

Surface Transportation Board (STB) Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 441X); BNSF Railway

By STB decision served July 5, 2006, the STB granted the exemption authority to abandon, effective August 4, 2006. Within that same decision, the STB stated that the abandonment is to be consummated by July 5, 2007. This letter is to advise the Board that BNSF is consummating the abandonment of the subject line as of the date of this letter.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter are enclosed for the Board's use and distribution.

Sincerely,

Jake P. DeBoever

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